HON'BLE MR. A. J. JOHN: Once a year by the Accountant-General, who nominates, with the approval of Government, examiners from the Accounts and Finance Departments, to set the question papers and value the answer books.

The Accountant-General announces the results after obtaining the sanction of Government in the Finance Department.

Remuneration for setting question papers.

8. MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKER: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Finance be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any remuneration is allowed for setting question papers and valuing them; if so, the rates allowed in each case may also be stated; and

(*b*) are these rates comparatively very high when compared with the rates of other Government examinations?

HON'BLE MR. A. J. JOHN: (*a*) Yes.

Rates.

Setting fee	Rs. 25 for each question paper.
Valuation fee	Chuckrams 21 per paper of 3 hours, duration. Chuckrams 17½ per paper of less than 3 hours' duration.

(*b*) Not very high.

Issue of permits to run private buses.

9. MR. ALEXANDER VAKAYIL (*Parur II—Latin Catholic*): Will the Hon'ble Minister for Transport be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued permit to run buses between Parur and Varapuzha in Parur Taluk?

(*b*) if so, how many buses are running in the line;

(*c*) whether they know that the public are put to much difficulty due to the irregularity and inadequacy of bus service in this route; and

(*d*) will the Government be pleased to state whether they are prepared to issue permit to bus owners who undertake to run buses regularly in this line?

HON'BLE MR. K. R. ELANKATH: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) One bus.

(*c*) A mass petition was received complaining of inadequacy and action is being taken on this.

(*d*) Government will issue permits to bus owners who undertake to run additional buses in this line subject to the conditions mentioned in the Press Note recently issued.

HON'BLE MR. A. J. JOHN: The detailed programme of the Committee has not yet been communicated to this Government. It is, however, expected that the Committee will enquire into the finance of this State also in the course of their work.

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